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CITRUS HEIGHTS MAN INDICTED FOR RECEIPT AND POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that on Wednesday a federal grand jury returned a two-count indictment charging RICHARD PAUL GODLEY, 61, Citrus Heights, Calif., with receipt and possession of child pornography.

This case is the product of an extensive investigation by the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Kyle Reardon, who is prosecuting the case, the indictment alleges that between July 2, 2008 and October 14, 2008, GODLEY received images to his computer of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct. The indictment also alleges that he possessed on his computer visual depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct. GODLEY was arraigned on December 4, 2008 and is next scheduled to appear in court on December 12, 2008.

If convicted of these charges, GODLEY faces at least five years and up to 20 years in prison, a \$250,000 fine, and a minimum term of supervised release of five years and up to life. However, the actual sentence will be dictated by the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, which take into account a number of factors, and will be imposed at the discretion of the court.

The charges are only allegations and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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